Zechariah's Song

Luke 1:5-25 and 1:67-80

Waiting and hoping



Zechariah's story

Announcement of John the Baptist's birth (1:5-25)

Zechariah's song (1:67-80)



Chapter 1

Announcement of John's birth
(1:5-25)

Announcement of Jesus' birth
(1:26-38)

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Elizabeth's announcement (1:41-45) Mary's praise (1:46-55)

Zechariah's Praise (1:67-75)

Zechariah's announcement (1:76-80)

Chapter 2

Angels
Announcement (2:10-12)
Praise (2:13-14)

Simeon

Praise (2:29-32)

Announcement (2:34-35)

Luke 1:67-80

Praise (1:67-75)

Prophecy (1:76-80)



Praise (1:67-75)

Redeemed people (68b)

Raised a Horn of Salvation, through David's line (69)

Salvation from enemies (71-72, 74)



Praise (1:67-75)

Predicted by the prophets (70) and Promised to Abraham and ancestors (73)



Praise (1:67-75)

Able to serve without fear in holiness and righteousness (74-75)



Prophesy (1:76-80)

John will be a prophet of the Most High (76a) in order to prepare a way for the LORD (76b) and to give knowledge of salvation (77a) through forgiveness of sin (77b)



Prophesy (1:76-80)

Because of God's merciful character (78) which is like the rising sun from heaven



Prophesy (1:76-80)

In order to to shine on people in living in darkness and therefore to guide them in the paths of peace (79)



What can we learn?

God saves

God fulfils what he says he will do

God is merciful

Saved to serve



What should we do?

Trust

Praise

Proclaim



Serve